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Applicant : GOTO et al.

Serial No. : U.S. National Stage Application Group Art Unit:
 Of PCT/JP99/05080

Filed : Concurrently herewith Examiner:

Title : PREVENTIVE AND/OR THERAPEUTIC FOR OBESITY

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

With reference to the above-identified patent application, please amend the application prior to issuance of the first Office Action:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the Sequence Listing in the English translation of PCT/JP99/05080, as filed, with the Substitute Sequence Listing filed concurrently herewith.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add new claims 2-20, as follows:

2. A preventive and/or therapeutic agent for obesity according to claim 1 wherein said stanniocalcin is obtained from a recombinant expression cell.
3. A preventive and/or therapeutic agent for obesity according to claim 2 wherein